



GAME NOTES

Merritt Centennials
at
Wenatchee Wild

Saturday January 27, 2018



Tonight the Wenatchee Wild (30-12-3-1, 3rd Place Interior Div.) face the Merritt Centennials (17-22-4-1, 7th Place, Interior Div.) in the sixth and final of six scheduled meetings this season.

HEAD TO HEAD: This is the tenth meeting all time between these two franchises. Wenatchee has claimed wins in five of the nine games. The Wild have taken four of the five games this season, including last night's 2-1 double overtime win.

WHO TO WATCH FOR: Forward **Jasper Weatherby** (32g, 32a) leads the Wild and the BCHL in points (63), and defenseman **Cooper Zech** (11g, 42a) continues to lead all BCHL defensemen. Goalie **Seth Eisele** is 13-6-0 with a 2.38 Goals Against Average, and a Save Percentage of .896. Merritt's scoring attack is powered by veterans Henry Cleghorn (18g, 24a) and Zach Zorn (15g, 20a). Goalie Austin Roden is 8-9-0 overall with a 2.70 GAA and a .925 save percentage.

SPECIAL TEAMS:	WEN PP – 59/257 23.0% 1st	WEN PK – 26/174 85.1% 3rd
	MER PP – 37/200 18.5% 9th	MER PK – 40/223 82.1% 8th

LAST GAME: The Wild led 1-0 into the final minute last night at home when Merritt tied the game to send it into overtime, where the Wild won in double OT for their fifth consecutive win, their longest streak of the season. Merritt is now winless (0-3-2) in their last five games.

MOVING ON: Next week the Wild wrap up their seven-game homestand with Powell River coming in Wednesday for the makeup game from the Nov. 3 date (bus trouble), then Coquitlam and Langley visit on the weekend. Merritt travels to Vernon on Wednesday, hosts Penticton on Friday then heads up to West Kelowna on Saturday.

MEDIA: Tonight's game and all Wild games are aired on Sunny FM (93.9 FM), and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs tonight at 6:45 pm.

TONIGHT'S PROMOTION: Tonight is "Guns and Hoses Night" as the Wild and Merritt tangle again for the final time this regular season. Sponsored by Nationwide Postgame autographs on the concourse with **Murphy Stratton** and **August von Ungern - Sternberg**.

NEXT HOME GAME: Wednesday night at **6:30 pm** vs. Powell River Kings in the makeup game from November. Presented by "The Man Shop". **NOTE THE EARLY START TIME.**

TONIGHT'S GAME SPONSOR:

